

## DISTRIBUTED CONTROL LOAD SHAPING METHOD AND APPARATUS

## ABSTRACT OF DISCLOSURE

Disclosed is an apparatus for controlling or managing the  
5 transmission of data packets over a multiplexed communication  
path, referred to herein as a bus, on a priority basis up to a  
given authorized BW (Bandwidth), in a given operational time  
period, for presently authorized devices or applications. Non-  
managed (not presently authorized) bus requests are handled in a  
10 prior art "best effort" basis.